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### **East Greenwich Teacher Receives Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics**

Domenic M. Giusti, a sixth-grade teacher at the George Hanaford School, in East Greenwich, was named this week as the Rhode Island winner of a 2004 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics & Science Teaching.

The award, considered the nation's highest honor for teaching in mathematics and science, was established by Congress in 1983 to identify outstanding teachers throughout the nation. This year's awardees are elementary-school teachers.

Mr. Giusti received the award for mathematics teaching.

Each awardee receives a \$10,000 gift from the National Science Foundation, the independent federal agency that administers the awards. This year's 95 awardees spent part of the week together participating in celebratory and professional-development events in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Giusti, who lives in Hope Valley, has taught at the Hanaford School since 1996. He is the mathematics curriculum coordinator and the chairman of the Mathematics Task Force/Action Team for the East Greenwich Public Schools. In addition to his work in mathematics, he has written a section of a booklet that is used as part of an anti-bullying program.

A graduate of Rhode Island College and Boston University, from which he earned a master-of-education degree in mathematics, Mr. Giusti received a \$20,000 grant for a model-classroom initiative from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in 2000.

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